Child Care and Development Fund FACT SHEET

November, 2012 Montana

Caseload

- •4,922 children were served this month in this program
- •3,137 families received subsidies for childcare through this program
- •6.3% of the families entered the program during this period
- ·Yellowstone County accounted for 25.7% of all families served

Children

- •91.8% of children were served in licensed care
- •5.9% of children were cared for by relatives
- ·Children under 1 year of age were in child care an average of 118 hours per month
- ·School-age children (ages 6 and older) constitute 26.5% of all children served
- ·White children accounted for 80.7% of all children served

Families

- •73.7% of families received subsidies because of employment
- •100.0% of families had copayments, at an average of 4.0% of income
- •The average number of children served per family was 1.7
- •88.2% of families were headed by a single parent
- •12.7% of families listed TANF as a source of income

Expenditures

- •The average cost of care this month per child was \$420 (monthly subsidy + parent fee)
- •Parents paid 8.4% of the cost and the program paid 91.6%
- ·Average monthly expenditures for children under 1 year of age was \$476
- ·Average monthly expenditures for school-age children (ages 6 and older) was \$293
- •81.6% of total expenditures were for children under 6 years of age

Counties

- •The highest average cost of care was in Chouteau County at \$601 per child
- •Sanders County ranks first in relative care statewide with 71.4% of all children cared for by relatives.
- •The county with the greatest percent of TANF recipients in the caseload was Musselshell County, where 50.0% of families receiving child care subsidies also received income from TANF